

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A storage case that is formed of a body of the storage case and a lid so that the lid is openable/closable with respect to the body of the storage case, and in the body of which an information recording medium is to be stored in a medium storage section, the storage case comprising:

a storage state determining section that allows the presence or absence of the information recording medium to be identified based on the rising or setting of a projection piece.

2. The storage case according to Claim 1, wherein the storage state determining section comprising:

a window section that is a hole provided in the outside of the body of the storage case;

a movable section turnably supported in the body of the storage case, the movable section having a contact piece formed at its front end on the medium storage section side, and having a projection piece formed at its front end on the window section side; and

a urging section for resiliently urging the contact piece of the movable section to position on the medium storage section side,

wherein, when the information recording medium is taken out of the medium storage section, the contact piece of the movable section resiliently urged by the urging section enters the medium storage section, and simultaneously the projection piece projects through the window section; and

wherein, when the information recording medium is put into the medium storage section, the contact piece of the movable section is pushed out by the information recording medium, and simultaneously the projection piece is pulled in through the window section.

3. The storage case according to Claim 2, wherein a rotating shaft is pivoted to the movable section so that the length from the rotating shaft to the contact piece is less than that from the rotating shaft to the projection piece, and wherein the moving amount of the projection piece is arranged to increase in proportion to the moving amount of the contact piece.

4. The storage case according to Claim 2 or 3, wherein the window section is provided in a side surface of the body of the storage case, on the side of the opening portion between the body of the storage case and the lid.

5. The storage case according to Claim 2 or 3, wherein

the window section is provided in the side surface of the body of the storage case, on the side of the turning portion between the body of the storage case and the lid.